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Mayor Tom Barrett today released the following statement after yesterday's homicide in the Sherman Park neighborhood:

"Every shooting, every murder is a tragedy. No matter where it happens or when or to whom, one shooting, one homicide, is one too many.

Thanks to the residents of the Sherman Park area who cooperated fully and provided critical information, Milwaukee Police were able to almost immediately apprehend three suspects. The suspected shooter is 16 years old. A 16-year old with a handgun that killed a man...we have to ask, where did that gun come from?

I am using every resource available to put more cops on the street, put people to work and keep kids in school and out of trouble. But this shooting underscores the need to get illegal guns off the streets and particularly, out of the hands of young people.

I need to know where the illegal guns are coming from, get those guns out of our neighborhoods and keep criminals from firing them at potential victims."